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Personal

Mr. Chester Bowles
Essex, Connecticut

Dear Chester:

Your experience in Yugoslavia regarding the Tito and Mihailovich controversy comes as no surprise to me. Information during the war on this subject was conflicting, emotional, and biased, depending upon which side of the fence the reporter served. The picture was and still is confused, and it was not until after the war that more impartial writers began sifting evidence of how the various national factions and leaders behaved under the pressure of conflicting interests. Although a single definitive work on this subject has yet to appear, to the best of my knowledge, the publications listed below are worth your attention. You will note that the authors represent both sides.

Tito and Goliath, by Hamilton Fish Armstrong. Macmillan: New York, 1951. Although this book primarily covers the Tito-Stalin split its opening chapters are devoted to the origins of the Tito-Mihailovich conflict.

Ally Betrayed, by David Martin. Prentice Hall, Inc.: New York, 1946. Pro-Mihailovich account.

"Who's Right in Yugoslavia" Article published in the The Saturday Review, presenting the views of two correspondents, Hugh White and Robert St. John, on the subject and the book Ally Betrayed. A copy of the article is attached.

Whirlwind, by Stephen Clissold. Cresset Press: London, 1949; Philosophical Library: New York, 1950. A defense of the British policy on Tito.

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Mihailovich: A Post-Mortem, by Robert Lee Wolff, Atlantic, October 1946. The author was in a position during World War II to see every report made by O. S. S. officers and others on the Tito-Mihailovich issue. Copy of the article is attached.

In Defense of Mihailovich, by Constantin Fotitch, Atlantic, November 1946. An article written by the former Yugoslav Ambassador to the United States, as a reply to the article written by Robert Lee Wolff. Copy of the article is attached.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

* SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

Attachments:

As stated above.

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If you have not read it, I also recommend in somewhat lighter vein the pertinent chapters of Escape to Adventure by Fitzroy Maclean. Little: Boston, 1950. (Also published in London by Jonathan Cape, 1949, under the title: Eastern Approaches.) This is largely on the Tito side.

Also sometime if you are down here, I should be interested in trying to dig out the file of cables sent by the German Ambassador Neubacher from Belgrade during the latter two years of the war which through an operation in Berne I was able to filch out of the German Foreign Office. They made very fascinating reading at the time and, as I recall, are interesting evidence of how Mihailovich played with the Germans against the Communists but at the same time the Germans never fully trusted him as he was, I believe, a stout Serb serving Serbian interests as he saw them.

Is/ A.W.D.